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April 20, 2015

Director Mark Cowin  
California Department of Water Resources  
P.O. Box 942836  
Sacramento, CA 94236-0001

Dear Director Cowin,

I am writing to support the application of San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District for a Water Energy Grant. The District is one of fifteen entities whose grant applications are recommended for approval by the Department of Water Resources following the initial draft funding recommendations. The Department's Water-Energy Grant Program provides funding for qualified applicants to support the implementation of residential, commercial and institutional water efficiency programs or projects that reduce greenhouse gas emissions and also reduce water and energy usage.

The San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District's application was one of the strongest submitted for review, and the District is the only agency in the San Gabriel Valley to be recommended. The District's proposal, entitled, *SGVMWD Water and Energy Conservation Rebate Program*, would encourage water and energy conservation through rebates for water and energy efficient washing machines, dishwashers, smart irrigation controllers and waterless urinals for residential and commercial water users in its service territory.

Several cities in the San Gabriel Valley, including Sierra Madre, have been especially hard hit by the drought. This grant will enable the District to help alleviate the harm of the drought in my local cities and, accordingly, I fully support San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District in its application for this critical grant.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris Holden", written over a horizontal line.

CHRIS R. HOLDEN  
Assembly Member, 41<sup>st</sup> District

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cc: Craig Cross- Division of Integrated Regional Water Management